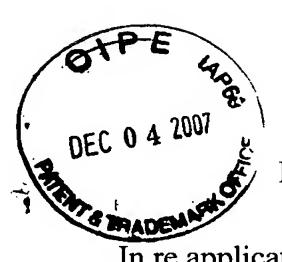
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- 1. JP 2003-238665 A, published August 27, 2003 was previously submitted on September 12, 2007.
- 2. U.S. Patent No. 5,350,643 issued September 27, 1994 to Imahashi et al.

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Applicant encloses herewith a copy of a Supplementary European Search Report dated

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